Madison County Weed Board

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The Regular meeting of the Madison County Weed Board for May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2007 was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by Chairperson Betty Sykes. Present at the meeting were Board members, John Armstrong, Chuck Buus & Charlie Gilman, Coordinator, Margie N Edsall, Office Administrator Janie Alt, Compliance Tech, Sam Korsmoe, Melissa Griffiths, MRVG, & two Commercial Applicators bidding on the Madison River Project. They were Shawn Jones of J2 Weed Control and Tom Leo of TKO Invasive Weed Management. Absent was Ted Coffman.

John Armstrong made motion to approve the April 26<sup>th</sup>, meeting minutes. Charlie Gilman seconded. All voted ave. Motion carried.

There were only 2 bid this year for the Madison River Project this year. They were Shawn Jones, J2 Weed Control and Tom Leo, TKO Invasive Weed Management.

Coordinator Margie N. Edsall opened the bids and read them to the Board. After a lengthy discussion and careful consideration John Armstrong made motion to award the bid to Shawn Jones, of J2 Weed Control. Charlie Gilman seconded the motion Chuck Buus abstained. Motion carried by majority.

## Old Business:

## Office & Program Activities:

- Margie met with Bozeman DOT Division on May 15<sup>th</sup> to request funding.
- Janie has finished the SW Area Newsletter. They will be mailing them out next week.
- Crew Training will be held June 4-6 in Dillon at the Search and Rescue building. On the 6<sup>th</sup> Margie will bring the Crew back to the county shop and work with them on calibrating their equipment, then they will head up the Ruby reservoir to spray the campground before campers start moving in for the busy season.
- June 16<sup>th</sup> Margie attended a special EQIP Initiative meeting with NRCS. Melissa Griffiths may pursue this project.
- Margie will attend the Headwaters meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Personnel Update: Have one crew out spraying and will start Katie Liles & Derek Anderson on the 22<sup>nd.</sup> The rest of the crews will start on June 4<sup>th</sup>

Vehicle & Equipment: Bob has been working on the Ruby units broadjets. May possibly have to be replaced. We have received the 2 new Honda Forman's. Still waiting on the new trailer.

Other Old Business: None

## **New Business:**

Weed Management Plans: None

Budget 2140 has \$311,314.70 2840 has 54,549.17. Margie presented the 2008 budget to the Commissioner earlier this morning.

Other New Business: The Ruby Weed Day has been changed for the 23 to the 30<sup>th</sup>

Meeting adjourned at 3:10

Next meeting will be on Thursday June21st @ 1:30 p.m. Hope to see you all there

Minutes respectively submitted by: Janie Alt, Office Assistant